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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action be extended one month from October 11, 2007 to November 13, 2007 (November 11, 2007 being a Sunday and November 12, 2007 being a Federal holiday) by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

Authorization to charge the official fees for this filing is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

Respectfully submitted,

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